

***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

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LOW DENSITY LIPOPROTEIN**  
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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114**

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated December 26, 2007, concerning the above-referenced patent application. This paper accompanies a Request for Continued Examination and is part of the RCE submission. In view of the Notice of Appeal filed on May 27, 2008, as well as a Petition for Extension of time herewith, the RCE is timely filed on or before August 27, 2008.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this document.